

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently amended) A process for controlling foaming during an aqueous fermentation process, ~~an aqueous alcoholic fermentation process, or a proteinaceous fermentation process,~~ comprising adding to the ~~process~~ aqueous fermenting liquor (i) a hydroxy-functional polydiorganosiloxane having a viscosity of 10-150 mPa.s at 25 °C containing no solid particles, and (ii) a polyglycol with which the hydroxy-functional polydiorganosiloxane is miscible, ~~(iii) a branched silicone resin, and (iv) a silicone polyether.~~
2. (Canceled)
3. (Canceled)
4. (Currently amended) A foam control agent comprising a blend of (i) a hydroxy-functional polydiorganosiloxane having a viscosity of 10-150 mPa.s at 25 °C containing no solid particles ; and (ii) a polyglycol with which the hydroxy-functional polydiorganosiloxane is miscible, ~~(iii) a branched silicone resin, and (iv) a silicone polyether~~ wherein the weight ratio of hydroxy-functional polydiorganosiloxane to polyglycol is in the range 5:1 to 1:2.
5. (Canceled)
6. (Canceled)
7. (New) A process according to Claim 1 wherein the hydroxy-functional polydiorganosiloxane is a silanol-terminated polydiorganosiloxane.

8. (New) A process according to Claim 1 wherein the polyglycol is a hydroxy-terminated polyoxypropylene or oxyethylene-oxypropylene copolymer.

9. (New) A process according to Claim 1 wherein the hydroxy-functional polydiorganosiloxane is mixed with up to 50% by weight based on the hydroxy-functional polydiorganosiloxane of a branched silicone resin.

10. (New) A process according to Claim 1 wherein the hydroxy-functional polydiorganosiloxane is mixed with up to 150% by weight based on the hydroxy-functional polydiorganosiloxane of a silicone polyether.

11. (New) A process according to Claim 1 wherein the hydroxy-functional polydiorganosiloxane (i) and polyglycol (ii) are added initially to the aqueous fermenting liquor and an organic oil composition based on a hydrocarbon oil or vegetable oil is subsequently added to control foaming.

12. (New) A foam control agent according to Claim 4 wherein the polyglycol is a hydroxy-terminated polyoxypropylene or oxyethylene-oxypropylene copolymer.

13. (New) A foam control agent according to Claim 4 wherein the foam control agent further comprises up to 50% by weight based on the hydroxy-functional polydiorganosiloxane of a branched silicone resin.

14. (New) A foam control agent according to Claim 4 wherein the foam control agent further comprises up to 150% by weight based on the hydroxy-functional polydiorganosiloxane of a silicone polyether.